

Resources Committee, and over 80 cosponsors, we have been unable to secure even a hearing on my reform legislation, let alone a markup.

No Member of Congress would permit this situation to exist in his or her congressional district for one day. Yet we stand by, year after year, report after report, expose after expose, as the problems persist in the U.S./CNMI.

The legislation I have introduced today will extend Federal immigration and minimum wage laws to the U.S./CNMI as well as require that the integrity and intent of the "Made in USA" label and duty and quota waivers be reinstated. Additionally, this bill will permit U.S. Customs agents the authority to inspect cargo and persons entering the U.S./CNMI for suspected illegal activity.

I am hopeful that the delegation led by Congressman YOUNG, which leaves for the U.S./CNMI and other Pacific destinations tomorrow, will meet with those who have experienced these deplorable conditions and that, upon the Chairman's return, he will finally agree to conduct impartial hearings on my legislation. We owe it to the taxpayers of the United States, to the textile workers of this country who are enduring unfair competition, and to the garment workers and other foreign workers in Saipan who are being forced to experience a distasteful and unrepresentative side of America.

RECOGNIZING THE ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

HON. THOMAS E. PETRI

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 11, 1999

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Environmental Research and Education Foundation. This Foundation is dedicated to helping society plan environmental solutions for the future. It was created by visionary leaders in the waste services and equipment industry who recognized the critical importance—now and for future generations—of properly managing our wastes, creating sustainable recycling markets, conserving resources and protecting the environment. Our Nation has the best waste-management infrastructure that it has ever had, with widespread access to recycling and highly engineered disposal facilities. Nevertheless, the sheer volume of our garbage dictates the need for first-rate research into new and better ways to manage wastes. The Foundation serves this need. It has raised millions of dollars thanks to the generosity of its leaders and other contributors. I expect the fruits of the Foundation's research to have substantial impact on the policies and practices that we evolve over time.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO GARY KADOW

HON. JACK QUINN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 11, 1999

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Gary Kadow, President of Local 3367 of the American Federation of Government Employees, on the occasion of his retirement.

In 1987, Gary Kadow began his career with the Department of Housing and Urban Development in the Buffalo office as temporary Single-Family Loan Specialist in the Housing Division, and joined the union at that time. He eventually gained a permanent position as a Project Manager, and then Senior Project Manager in the Multi-Family section.

Gary's advocacy on behalf of the working men and women of our community is truly legendary. In recognition of that effort, Gary was elected President of Local 3367 in 1989. He was successfully re-elected every year since, and served nine years, to 1999. His tenure, the longest of any president in Local 3367's history, is one of tremendous accomplishment. On behalf of his membership, Gary Kadow brought in a viable dental plan, set up an effective leadership team including stewards in all the divisions, developed an active Albany Office unit, and organized an operating local Labor-management Participation Council. As a result of that leadership, membership tripled during his presidency.

In addition to his outstanding performance as a local president, Gary was elected a Regional Vice President of the National Council of HUD locals #222, serving in the New York-New Jersey region.

In 1993, The Honorable Henry Cisneros, Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, selected Gary to serve as a member of his NPR Task Force for the reinvention of HUD. During that year here in our Nation's Capital, Gary became the union contact with the Secretary, bringing his unique labor perspective, advocacy, and dedicated commitment to working men and women to the national forefront. He appeared before Congressional committees, participated in the national Labor-Management Partnership Council, and played a vital role in negotiating labor-management agreements.

In addition to the many awards and citations he has been honored with throughout his career, he was chosen as a founding member of the HUD Training Academy Board of Directors. Further, Gary was elected by the National Council of HUD Locals to Executive Vice President in 1995 and again in 1997.

Mr. Speaker, today I would like to join with the Kadow family, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the American Federation of Government Employees, the National Council of HUD Locals, Local 3367, the AFL-CIO, and the countless working men and women of our entire Western New York community in tribute to Mr. Gary Kadow.

With retirement come many new opportunities. May Gary meet each new opportunity with the same enthusiasm and vigor in which he demonstrated throughout his brilliant career, and many those opportunities be as fruitful as those in his past.

Thank you, Gary, for your advocacy, tireless effort and personal commitment to our community, and for your friendship.

IN MEMORY OF ELVIS J. STAHR, JR.

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 11, 1999

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it has come to my attention that Elvis J. Stahr, Jr., governor emeritus of the Sigma Chi Foundation, scholar, war veteran, attorney, and public servant, passed away on November 11 after a battle with cancer. He was 82.

Stahr earned 4 years of straight A's as an undergraduate at the University of Kentucky (UK), was named a Rhodes Scholar, then studied at Oxford University for three years. He returned to the United States briefly before serving in the U.S. Army infantry in North Africa, India, and China during World War II. After serving in the Army, he practiced law for eight years and served as Grand Praetor for the Eastern province.

After serving as dean of the UK law school and university provost, Stahr was appointed as special assistant to the Secretary of the Army during the Korean war, and in 1956–57, he was executive director of President Eisenhower's committee on education beyond high school.

Stahr became vice chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh in early 1957, and in August 1958 he was named president of West Virginia University. In 1961, President Kennedy appointed him Secretary of the Army, a post in which he served until the summer of 1962 when he resigned to become the 12th president of Indiana University.

In 1968, the Audubon Society named Stahr its president, a position he maintained until 1979. After stepping down from the Audubon presidency, he served on several boards and committees, including those for the Acacia Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Chase Manhattan Bank, the Committee on the Constitutional System, and the Washington Conservation Round Table, of which he also served as chairman. He also continued to practice law in Washington, DC.

Stahr is survived by his wife of 52 years, Dorothy Howland Berkfield Stahr, three children and two grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Elvis J. Stahr, Jr.'s, contributions to his family, his country, and his fraternity make him a role model for young civic leaders. I am certain that the Members of the House will join me in honoring this fine American.

A TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM "BILL" GORTON CREEL

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 11, 1999

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, it is with great privilege to rise today to honor an outstanding American, Bill Creel. Bill is a civic